

**Easterling, Deborah**

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**From:** Easterling, Deborah  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 12, 2011 9:36 AM  
**To:** 'Karen Stone'  
**Subject:** RE: Regarding Duke Energy Rate Increase Request

Dear Ms. Stone,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2011-271-E and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling  
Administrative Assistant

**From:** Karen Stone [<mailto:stone.karen@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 11, 2011 6:55 PM  
**To:** Contact  
**Subject:** Regarding Duke Energy Rate Increase Request

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MAIL / DMS

Please find the attached letter of protest to Duke Energy's request for a rate increase.



\* Required Fields

**Letter of Protest**

**Print**

**Email**

Date: \* October 12, 2011

**in Docket \*** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Protestant Information:**

Name \* Karen L. Stone

Mailing Address \* 1015 Sweetleaf Drive

City, State Zip \* Fort Mill, SC 29707 Phone \* 803-396-9188

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**1. What is your connection or interest in this case? \* For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)**

I am a Duke Energy customer. Rates have been increased during my four years of residence in South Carolina.

**2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. \* (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)**

I protest yet another raise on energy prices. On the news, they say that Duke Energy needs to increase rates in order to pay for a building. When most of us plan for an additional home or building, we include that within our budget. Getting their customers to pay increased rates due to their lack of planning should not be rewarded. I definitely protest any increased costs for energy being supported by their customers.

**3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? \***  
(This section should be completed.)

I travel frequently for work and will probably not be able to attend, but I believe strongly that Duke Energy needs to work within their budget and be stopped on increasing their customer rates.